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Remarks/Arguments

In the Office Action being responded to claims 3-8, 10, and 12-14 have been allowed, claims 16 and 22-24 deemed allowable but objected to, and claims 1, 15, and 21 rejected, 35 USC 103(a), as unpatentable over Borella et al patent 6,697,354 in view of Xu et al patent 6,738,362.

In response thereto applicants have canceled the rejected claims 1, 15, and 21 and have amended claims 16 and 22-24 each to be an independent claim including all of the limitations of their respective base claims.

Accordingly, applicants respectfully request the allowance of claims 16 and 22-24 and, in as much as the application now only contains allowed claims and claims deemed to be allowable, the allowance of this application and its passage to issue.

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